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Counsel,

Please see the attached response to your September 29, 2012 letter.

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Subject: Louisiana Generating: Urgent Request for Information On New

Reheater Projects at Big Cajun II

Importance: High

Please see the attached. Due to the urgency of this matter, it is also pasted below.

September 29, 2012 By Electronic Mail Kent Mayo Megan Berge Baker Botts LLP The Warner 1299 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20004-2400 Counsel for Defendant Louisiana Generating, LLC

Re: United States v. Louisiana Generating LLC, No. 09-100-JJB-DD (M.D. La.)

## Dear Counsel:

As you know, the jury trial begins in about two weeks on whether the 1998/1999

replacement of the primary reheaters at Big Cajun II Units 1 and 2 violates the federal Clean Air Act.

In a letter yesterday to my colleague Mr. Gladstein, Mrs. Berge disclosed that Defendant

Louisiana Generating, LLC intends to perform another primary reheater replacement at Big

Cajun II. Specifically, Mrs. Berge mentioned that a photograph disclosed to us a few days ago,

DX 618, depicts new primary reheater tube bundles being stored at the plant warehouse. Her

letter also mentioned that another new exhibit, DX 617, shows the same primary reheater tube

bundles being stored outside the plant. These newly disclosed exhibits appear wholly immaterial

to the jury's resolution of the remaining issues about the 1998/1999 projects.

What is potentially relevant, however, is that Defendant appears poised to perform

another primary reheater project at the same plant before the jury even decides whether the prior

reheater projects violate the Clean Air Act. Because we would prefer to make a decision based

on a careful understanding and analysis of all the relevant facts, please provide us the following

basic information:

- 1. State when this new reheater project will begin construction at the plant;
- 2. Identify the unit or units at Big Cajun II on which the primary reheater

replacements will be performed;

3. State whether the primary reheater replacement(s) will be partial

or complete;

- 4. Provide the total estimated cost of these primary reheater replacement(s);
- 5. Provide any applicability determinations; and
- 6. Provide any emissions analysis.

Once we have this information, we will inform you Monday morning about whether we intend to seek preliminary relief to preserve the status quo pending the outcome of the jury trial.

We therefore request the provision of this basic information as soon as possible.

Sincerely, /s/ Justin A. Savage Justin A. Savage Senior Counsel

From: megan.berge@bakerbotts.com [
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Sent: Friday, September 28, 2012 1:54 PM
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(ENRD); Dwana.King@la.gov
Subject: RE: Louisiana Generating - Letter re Production of reheater
photos and video

Richard,

Please see the attached correspondence regarding your letter dated September 27, 2012.

Megan

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Subject: Louisiana Generating - Letter re Production of reheater photos

and video

Please see the attached letter. Thanks,

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Re:

Letter Dated September 29, 2012

Dear Counsel:

I am writing in response to your letter dated September 29, 2012 regarding your request for information on the primary reheater tube bundles depicted in Louisiana Generating LLC's Exhibits DX-617 and 618, which are currently stored at the Big Cajun II power plant ("Big Cajun II").

Your letter incorrectly characterizes Ms. Berge's September 28, 2012 letter as somehow representing that Louisiana Generating is poised "to perform another primary reheater replacement at Big Cajun II" when the letter states only that the photos in DX-617 and 618 "depict uninstalled bundles of primary reheater tubes." LaGen is maintaining such tubes on site for potential future maintenance, and you are incorrect to presume that use of these tubes is imminent or would occur during the pendency of the upcoming trial. To the extent a determination is made to use this tubing at Big Cajun II in the future, LaGen will of course perform any analyses and regulatory determinations required under the applicable regulations in advance of the work.

Regards,

Kent Mayo

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